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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6825

BILL NUMBER: HB 2099

DATE PREPARED: Jan 20, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: TANF Eligibility and Immunizations.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X

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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill amends the definition of "qualifying family" for purposes of receiving Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) to require each child in the family who is less than 18 years of age to have received the childhood immunizations recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. The bill provides an exemption to the immunization requirement if the parent or other adult caretaker relative refuses to have the child immunized because of religious beliefs or provides documented medical evidence from a licensed physician that an immunization is not available or appropriate for the child.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill requires each child in a TANF family to receive the childhood immunizations recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) reports that this provision will affect about 1,882 cases within the TANF control group. Failure to comply would cost a TANF family \$59 per month. Based on compliance rates within the TANF treatment group, expected expenditure reductions from sanctions in the control group are about \$100 per month.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Family and Social Services Administration.

Local Agencies Affected:

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